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response, or I heard on the floor, that the main issue that the Class I's were objecting to was having to go through the vote one more time and having to choose that one high school. That's what I heard from the senators who were raising the issue last week in objection to the committee amendment. This answers that objection, but, you know, I still think it's going to make Class...some Class I's make some very difficult decisions, it...as 1114 does for all schools. It's just, as I've said, the higher you are spending, the further away your per pupil cost is from that high school. I think the more difficult decision you are going to have to make. But that's no different than every district across the state, and what they're asking to do in reaction to 1114, and really in reaction to what taxpayers have We need property tax relief, and certainly the whole issue of how we support our schools and the amount of dollars brought us to this point in having to make these kinds of decisions. And so, with that, I would ask your support for the amendment to the committee amendment.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Having heard the close, members will now vote on the adoption of amendment 1754 to Section 1 of the committee amendments to LB 806. All of those in favor vote aye. Opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the amendment to the committee amendments.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk, anything further on this division to the committee amendments?

CLERK: Yes, Mr. President. May I read some items first?

SPEAKER WITHEM: Please do read some items.

CLERK: Thank you. (LB) 590 is reported to Select File; (LB) 314, (LB) 608, (LB) 658, (LB) 702, (LB) 724, those all Select File, some of which have E & R amendments attached. (See pages 1706-09 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, Senator Wickersham...Senator Wickersham has a series of amendments I understand he wishes to withdraw.